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In re Application of:)

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Serial No.: 10/761,552)

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For: Blends of Esters With Isomerized)

Olefins and Other Hydrocarbons)

As Base Oils For Invert Emulsion)

Oil Muds)

Examiner: Timothy J. Kugel

Art Unit: 1712

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121, MAILED FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 6, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper; and
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

No fee is believed due for this amendment but a one-month extension of time is believed needed for this response. The Commissioner is requested to grant the needed extension of time and is authorized to charge the fee for same and any other fees that may be due for this application (except the issue fee) to undersigned's deposit account, 50-0807. If the account lacks sufficient funds, the fee may be charged to the undersigned's credit (or debit) card. A credit card charge authorization form is attached.